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Dear John:

How we think alike! A propos your paper in Science, I think NASA is clearly the most likely vehicle. And the lab should focus on instrumentation engineering. The science should be rooted in the universities.

I was talking with Orr Reynolds about this (O.L.S., NASA) just last week, and urge you to reinforce. How about setting it up at Stanford?

Can you spare a dozen reprints? (I hope you will also have received my postcard asking for copies of your Perspectives and some other papers - my brother had called my attention to them.)

As ever,

Joshua Lederberg

Enclosure: Copy of letter 4/6/62 to Reynolds,
with memo on Analytical Instrumentation

P.S. If you haven't run into it before, I think you'd be tickled at Gene Garfield's experiment in Citation Indexing; some details enclosed, others available from him in Philadelphia.

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